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OFFICE OF  
CHEMICAL SAFETY  
POLLUTION  
PREVENTION

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Re: Freedom of Information Request  
EPA-HQ-2018-001294 & EPA-HQ-  
2018-001295

Dear Mr. Putsavage:

Thank you for your inquiry to the Freedom of Information Office in the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) for the records as described below in your request for:

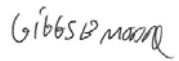
**"All communications both internal and between the various states, regarding the issuance of Special Local Needs pesticide registrations for products proposed to be applied to growing marijuana." and "All communications both internal and between EPA and the Scotts Miracle-Gro Company regarding the registration of pesticides to be applied to growing marijuana."**

Due to the voluminous nature of your requests, we sent letters on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 asking if you would consider modifying the scope of the request with the names and offices of EPA staff and a date range in which we could limit our search. We never received a response to either letter. Because of your lack of response to any of our attempts to contact you, we are closing these requests. After closure, you would be welcome to submit a new request for the information you are seeking.

You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek assistance from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, (301) 837-1996 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (301) 837-0348.

If you have any questions, please contact me on 703-605-0195 (8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) or email me at [moore.gibbs@epa.gov](mailto:moore.gibbs@epa.gov). Refer to the request number (EPA-HQ-2018-001294) when contacting me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gibbs Moore". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Gibbs Moore  
Public Information and Records Integrity Branch  
Information Technology and Resources Management Division  
Office of Pesticide Programs